

**Referrals (cont'd):**

- Participates in community coalitions and task forces to stay informed and involved in local initiatives to reduce victimization and improve services to victims.

**Resource :**

- Provides education to the community on the issues and needs of victims
- Acts as a liaison between the New York State Police and other service agencies.
- Represents the New York State Police on coalitions and task forces of victim service providers in their Troop areas.
- Acts as a resource for Members on the issues and needs of victims.

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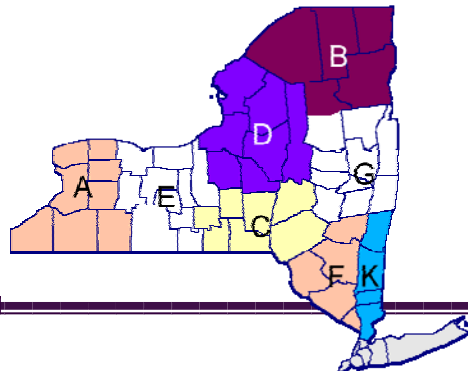
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***CRIME VICTIM SPECIALIST  
PROGRAM***

**C**OMPASSIONATE  
**V**ALUABLE  
**S**UPPORT



### **Assists victims and their families by providing:**

#### **Crisis Intervention:**

- Provides support for the victim and family at the initial stages of a case.
- Provides vital information to victim and family.
- Assistance with death notifications - may accompany a Uniform Member.
- Acts as a resource for Members in the Field.

#### **Short Term Counseling:**

- Maintains regular and frequent contact with the victim and any secondary victims, such as children, during all phases of the case.
- This may involve making numerous home or hospital visits.

#### **Safety Planning:**

- Confers with victim and children to devise a safety plan.

#### **Safety Planning (cont'd):**

- Advises the victim of available services which notify of the offender's release from a correctional facility.
- Works with the District Attorney's Office to provide personal safety devices such as personal alarms and cellular phones.



#### **Criminal Court Procedure Information:**

- Explains the process to the victim/Informs victim regarding his/her rights. Acts as an advocate for the victim in obtaining Orders of Protection and opposing bail or ROR where appropriate.
- Supports the victim during Preliminary Hearings and/or Trial.
- Accompanies the victim to meetings with District Attorney staff during preparation of testimony and while testifying in court.

- Provides information to the victim on the status of the case and advises of upcoming court appearances.
- Assists the victim in providing input and collaboration with the DA's Office in the plea bargaining process.
- Assists the victim with the Victim's Impact Statement.
- Assists in obtaining the release of vital personal property of the victim.

#### **Compensation:**

- Assists the victim with the compensation claim paperwork and files the claim with the New York State Crime Victim Services agency to reimburse the victim for hospital, medical, out-of-pocket expenses, and other expenses incurred as a result of the crime.

#### **Referrals:**

- Refers the victim to long term counseling or any other available services that may be of aid.
  - Works in conjunction with community domestic violence and rape crisis programs, CPS, Adult Protective Services, and other local agencies to enhance the services available to victims.
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